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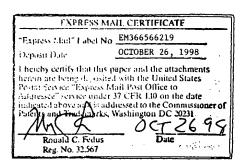
REQUEST FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME (FIVE MONTHS) UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Dear Sirs:

Applicants hereby request a five-month extension of time for responding to the Notice To Comply With Requirements For Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence And/.Or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures mailed on April 24, 1998. The Patent and Trademark office is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 05-1135 for the requisite fee of \$1,030.00 for a small entity, for an extension for response within the fifth month as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(5). A response to the Notice requiring compliance with sequence rules under 37 C.F.R. §§ I.821-I.825 was due May 24, 1998, extensible to October 24, 1998, with the filing of an extension request accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR §I.136(a). As October 24, 1998 is a Saturday, this paper may be filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on October 26, 1998. Accordingly, this request for an extension of time and authorization for charging applicants attorneys' Deposit Account for the requisite extension fee accompanying the response to the notice to comply with sequence rules (and its accompanying papers) is being timely filed.

No other fee is believed due in connection with this extension request. If any other fee or fees are due, however, authorization is hereby made to charge the amount

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of any such other fee(s) to Deposit Account No. 05-1135 or to charge any overpayment thereto. A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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